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DUCK STAMP DESIGN TO BE SELECTED TUESDAY

Selection of a drawing to be used as a design for the 1965-66 Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp will be made Tuesday, November 24 at 2 o'clock at the Department of the Interior.

John S. Gettschalk, Director of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, says a total of 130 entries have been received from 80 artists in 27 states, and the District of Columbia.

A new \$3 duck stamp is issued each year by the Post Office Department. The 1965-66 stamp will go on sale July 1, 1965 and expire June 30, 1966. Each migratory waterfowl hunter 16 years or older is required to purchase a stamp in addition to a regular State hunting license.

All receipts from the sale of the stamps, less costs of printing and distribution, are used by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife in development of migratory bird refuges and habitat. Normally more than two million stamps are sold annually.

Judges for this year's contest are C. R. Gutenmuth, vice-president, Wildlife Management Institute; Thomas L. Kimball, executive director, National Wildlife Federation; Carl Schoele, curator, Division of Philately and Postal History, Smithsonian Institution; and Reuben E. Barrick of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, all of Washington, D. C.

The current stamp was designed from a watercolor drawing of a pair of Hens geese by Stanley Stearns of Stevensville, Maryland, who also drew the design for the 1955-56 stamp.

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Note to editors: Newspaper, radio and television reporters are invited to attend the judging. Contact Jack Guinan, Interior Department, 343-5634.